

**MINUTES OF HAMILTON COUNTY COUNCIL, February 9, 2011
GENERALIZED SUMMARY**

The Hamilton County Council met in a Work Session on February 9, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. Present were: Councilor Jim Belden, Council Brad Beaver, Councilor Meredith Carter, Councilor Judy Levine, and Councilor Rick McKinney. Councilor Steve Schwartz and Councilor Paul Ayers were absent. The work session discussion was on 2012 county operations and funding. The County Council is waiting on 2009 COIT Collections before moving forward on 2012 budget options. Councilor McKinney moved to not send a memo to Elected Officials and Department heads until the County receives these figures. Councilor Beaver seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.

President Belden called to order the Regular meeting of the Hamilton County Council at 7:04:27 p.m. Those in attendance were Councilors Meredith Carter, Judy Levine, Rick McKinney, Jim Belden and Brad Beaver. Councilor Steve Schwartz and Councilor Paul Ayers were not in attendance. A quorum was declared by Auditor Dawn Coverdale.

Councilor Beaver gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

7:05:40 The minutes of the Special Session of December 22, 2010 will appear on the March agenda because a quorum of those attending that meeting were not present to ratify those minutes.

Councilor Levine moved to approve the Joint Work Sessions minutes of January 12, 2011. Councilor Carter seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Councilor Beaver moved to approve the Regular Session minutes of January 12, 2011. Councilor McKinney seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: 7:06:28 None

COMMITTEE / OFFICER REPORT 7:06:37

President: None

Vice President: None

Highway: None

Finance: Councilor Carter reported that there was a meeting with Mike Reuter and budget projections were discussed. Hamilton County's revenue is down approximately \$3.3 million. Hamilton County is waiting on 2009 COIT Collections.

Personnel: Councilor Levine reported that Personnel should be setting meeting dates.

Miscellaneous: Councilor McKinney stated that the Special Session December 22, 2010 minutes should be placed on the March agenda due to the fact that a quorum of Councilors at that meeting is not present to approve the minutes.

Councilor Levine reported that Legislative Day for County's is next week. There is a bill being introduced to take motor vehicle highway money from County's to fund Indiana State Police. There is a bill being introduced to take E911 Funds from County's and distribute it state wide.

COMMISSIONER UPDATE 7:11:43 None

UNFINISHED/TABLED BUSINESS 7:11:56

Councilor Beaver requested that the Hamilton County Redevelopment Commission Board appointment and Hoosier Heritage port Authority appointment be moved to the March Council agenda.

NEW BUSINESS 7:12:40

7:12:41 Councilor Carter moved to approve vendor claims. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried 6-0.

EMPLOYEE VACANCIES: 7:13:06 None

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MIKE HOWARD: 7:13:23

Mike Howard had three ordinances for approval.

Councilor Levine moved to approve Ordinance 07-12-10-B "As Amended" Personnel Policy Handbook retroactive to January 1, 2011". Councilor McKinney seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilor Beaver moved to approve Ordinance 01-24-11-B "Ordinance Approving Amendment to Hamilton County Employee Handbook Regarding Hamilton County Sheriff Department Records" Councilor Levine seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilor Carter moved to suspend the rules for all three ordinances for adoption. Councilor Levine seconded this motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilor Beaver moved to approve Ordinance 02-02-11-A "An Ordinance Regarding Approval Of An Amendment To Lease Between The Hamilton County Redevelopment Authority And The Hamilton County Redevelopment Commission." Councilor Levine seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilor Beaver has agreed to be the Hamilton County Redevelopment Commission Board appointment if no one steps up at the March meeting.

EMS: 7:26:00

Councilor Beaver spoke with each Township Trustee (Chris Miller, Jackson Township; Jamie Rulon, White River Township; Diane Grim, Fall Creek Township) to make sure that they understand that the Hamilton County Council will not fund EMS in 2012 or beyond. Each Township Trustee stated that they understand this completely. Councilor Beaver moved to have Jeannette Kassabaum draw up a memorandum of understanding for Jackson Township, White River Township and Wayne Township before monies can be released to the Townships. Below are the issues that need to be in the memorandum of understanding.

- Jeannette Kassabaum, Council Attorney will draw up a memorandum of understanding for Township Trustee signature
- Memorandum of Understanding will have "**an amount not to exceed**" \$108,000
- Memorandum of understanding will state what monies can be used for
- Memorandum of Understanding will go to the Board of County Commissioners for their signature
- Township Trustee bring a copy of contract with their Vendor and amount being charged to the Township
- Checks will be paid quarterly
- Once Auditor receives the memorandum

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS: 7:47:07

7:47:18 Councilor Belden opened the public hearing concerning additional appropriations. There were no public comments.

7:47:34 Councilor Levine moved to approve County General County Assessor additional line item 101.001.000.3002 Copier Maintenance Agreement for \$31,500. Councilor Beaver seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilor Levine moved to amend County General Clerk 144 101.009.000.1006 Civil Filings Deputy COMOT C at \$34,935; 101.009.000.1026 Supervisor Civil Orderbook 4, 5 & 6 COMOT E at \$36,633 and 101.009.000.1027 Supervisor Criminal/Traffic Orderbook COMOT E at \$40,578 and approve job position description revision for Civil Filings Deputy. Councilor Carter seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilor Levine moved to amend County General Prosecutor 144 101.031.000.1004 Supervisor, Screening Team DPS Exempt at \$84,367; reduction to line item 101.031.000.1004 for \$9,096.86 and approve job position description revision for Deputy

Prosecuting Attorney DPS Supervisor. Councilor Beaver seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilor Levine moved to amend County General Sheriff 144 101.037.000.1101 Matron SO Exempt at \$59,818 and approve job position description revision for Matron. Councilor Beaver asked where the difference for this increase would come from. Sheriff Bowen stated that he will be able to submit a transfer of funds. Councilor McKinney seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilor Beaver moved to approve additional to fund 383 County Identification Security Protections to line item 383.000.000.3713 Contractual Services for \$75,000. Councilor Levine seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

7:54:22 President Belden closed the public hearing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: 7:54:23

SHERIFF COMMENTS: Sheriff Bowen asked for a resolution of \$190,000 for vehicles. Councilor Levine resolved to allow \$190,000 for vehicles from the Rainy Day Fund (276.000.000.4008). Councilor Carter seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

COUNCIL ATTORNEY COMMENTS: None

AUDITOR’S COMMENTS: Auditor Coverdale requested that the Council reappoint Luci Snyder to the Carmel Economic Development. Councilor Levine moved the reappointment. Councilor Carter seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Those present:

Steve Peachey, Cicero Fire
Dan Stevens, Commissioner Asst.
Anthony McClure, Jackson Twp.
Mike McCullough, Jackson Twp.
Christian Herron, Cicero Fire Dpt.
Darren Collar, Cicero Fire Dpt.
Tom Gehlhausen, Major
Jeff Roberts, Jackson Twp.
Carl Colbert, White River Twp Fire Dpt.
Sheena Randall, HR
D. Lee Buckingham, Prosecutor
Doug Carter, Citizen
Shelby Mills, Citizen

Jamie Rulon, WR Township Trustee
Scott McNamara, Wayne Township
Diane Crim, Wayne Township Trustee
James Carter, Jackson Twp.
Kevin Brock, Cicero Fire Dpt.
Tony Murray, IAFF Local 4416
Chris Miller, Jackson Twp. Trustee
Rusty Miller, Jackson Twp.
Evan McNamara, Wayne Twp.
Donna Gentry, WR Twp.
Chris Mertens, ISSD
LeeAnn Carter
Mitch Hazelbaker, Wayne Twp.

President

Auditor